



Sidney Job Service Employers' Committee

Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2010

Employers Attending

Sharon Nelson – Sidney Sugars

MaryAnn Vester – Dawson Community College

Job Service Staff Attending

Jacklyn Damm

Vernette Torgerson

Colleen Topp

Treasures Report: \$4,719.89 Savings
\$ 465.92 Checking

Old Business: MaryAnn brought an article from EDCAUSE Learning Initiative called “Getting Past Google” Perspectives on Information Literacy from the Millennial Mind. This article was about students understanding how to effectively evaluate online resources and ethically use them. This was a very interesting article. I can fax copies to anyone who would like a copy that did not attend the meeting.

New Business: Goals/Action Plan for the New Year - We discussed goals that were emailed to Jacklyn before the meeting and brainstormed some others. Thank you to those of you who emailed your suggestion of goals. The following are the goals we voted on for 2010/2011:

1. **Job Fair:** Maryann reported the Glendive JSEC has a job fair every other year on the odd numbered years. We set a goal to have a Job Fair November 2010. Action items needed for this goal are; appoint a head of the committee, contact Sidney High School for dates/location. Vernetta volunteered to make contact with the school. Sharon reported she attends Job Fairs in Billings and Bismarck.
2. **Scholarships:** We have discussed possibly having scholarships for high school graduates at past meetings. Maryann said the Glendive JSEC committee already has this in place. She will bring a copy of their policy/application to the next meeting.

3. **Speaker:** With the success of our last event, we would like to have another seminar. Our goal is to find a different speaker. The Gen Y Guy is still on our list of favorites but is very expensive. Action needed is to have some fund raisers if needed. We are looking at holding this event in 2011.
4. **501(c) 3:** It was decided to add this as a goal. An email will be sent out for a vote to complete the application and submit it. Discussion regarding the need for a 501(c)3: To protect ourselves as individuals since we do have a substantial amount of money in our savings/checking. With a 501(c) 3 we would have more opportunities for locations for training/seminars since that would give us a “non-profit” status. Also allows us other reduced cost services for the same reason.

Next Meeting: February 18, 2010 – Noon (location to be announced)